

Ironwork in Colchester made by outside foundries. August 2018.

There are a number of example of other foundries work in Colchester . Some very large and some quite modest. I have recorded all that I could indentify. Quite the most famous is the Walter MacFarlane foundry from Glasgow.

Walter MacFarlane & Co Glasgow

The company is also well known as the Saracen Foundry and they were quite probably the pre-eminent ornate iron foundry of the Victorian era. They exported their products across the globe especially to Australia. We are fortunate to have several examples in Colchester. The most prominent is the Band Stand in the Castle Park.



The Band Stand



The very ornate pillar tops and cut away beams.



The ornate gate & railings restored by the Company in 2001 after the 1942 demand for scrap iron

The railings and gate were also made by the Company.



They also made the main gates for the Mersea Road Cemetery.





The Cast Iron water fountain on Hythe Hill is also by the Saracen Foundry.



Boulton & Paul foundry

The Boulton and Paul foundry of Norwich is well known and was chosen by the church of St Steven in Canturbury Road ,New Town for their gates and railings.



These are from Victoria Place at the rear of the Co-op buildings.



Bayliss Jones & Bayliss of Wolverhampton

Bayliss cast iron posts ,George Williams Way – Childwell Alley,



D Powell & Co, London



Gate.post and railings at the Recreation Hotel, Wimpole Road

C.B.Gibbons of Ipswich

C.B.Gibbons, Dock foundry Ipswich. Ornate iron work at Connaught Villas 17 -19 Alexander Road.



Ornate cast iron gates and railings.



Also showing the hand rails and balcony rails

H.H Martyn & Co ,Cheltenham

H.H.Martyn & Co , Cheltenham .The gates at the Cowdray Crescent War , High Street.



Installed in 1923 as gates to the Castle Park from the World War Memorial and paid for by Lord Cowdray.

Barnard Bishop of Norwich

Barnard Bishop Company of Norwich were commissioned to make the Museum Street gates for the Castle Park in wrought and hammered iron. 1892 They were paid for by Mr H Egerton Green



Railings and gate by J Smith & Co of Ipswich



No 18 Castle Road



